# SPECIAL MEETING – MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL March 31, 2010

Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

# I. ROLL CALL

Present: Haddad, Kochenburger, Lindsey, Moran, Paterson, Paulhus, Ryan

Schaefer

Excused: Keane

# II. BOARD OF EDUCATION BUDGET

The Town Council will meet with the Mansfield Board of Education on April 15<sup>th</sup> to discuss the specifics of their budget and discuss any programmatic concerns that Council members might have. Director of Finance Cherie Trahan outlined the highlights of the Education budget, noting there is a slight decrease in the overall budget.

### III. GENERAL FUND REVENUE REVIEW

Council members and staff discussed the significant changes in the proposed revenue budget. Town Manager Matt Hart commented the Town has worked to diversify its revenue sources.

#### IV. PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW

Council members and staff discussed the major changes proposed in the current services budget. The Director of Finance will provide a line item budget for the next Council meeting.

Flag – Review of proposed membership to MetroHartford Alliance. The Town Manager will provide information on benefits of membership.

Flag – Review of cost and benefits of rejoining COST.

Flag – Explanation of the Town Attorney's contract

Flag - Clarification of Library FTE count

Flag – Director of Human Services to provide summary information on area agencies requesting contributions.

Flag – Review Contribution to Area Agencies narrative

Flag - Provide current unemployment and foreclosure statistics for Mansfield

Flag – Provide estimates for cost of legal notices and other mandated advertising.

The Library Board will meet with the Town Council to discuss the Library budget on a date in April yet to be determined.

Mayor Paterson thanked staff for all their work throughout the year.

# V. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Paulhus moved and Mr. Ryan seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously,

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk